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## **CONSTRUCTION ON 4TH LANE/INTERCHANGE AT US 160 THROUGH GRANDVIEW: TRAFFIC IMPACTS MINIMAL THIS SUMMER**

SEMA Construction, Inc., is constructing a project for the Colorado Department of Transportation to widen US 160 at Grandview to the current intersection with US 550. This involves construction of a second westbound lane, and also includes partial construction of a new interchange with US 550, four new bridges and ramps east of the current intersection. The work was contracted to SEMA for \$26.69 million; the total cost of the project (with preliminary engineering such as design, right of way, environmental work, etc.) is approximately \$33 million.

### **CURRENT & UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES**

- Install concrete barrier along eastbound US 160 beginning at US 550 (Farmington Hill), complete this week
- Retaining wall construction on south side of US 160: Through July
- Earthwork for Ramp A, south side of US 160: July – Sept of 2008
- Retaining wall construction on north side of US 160: Mid July – Sept. 2008
- Basket wall (rock retaining) construction on north side of US 160: Aug – Oct 2008
- Earth embankment for the future US550 and Ramp A North abutments: July – Aug 2008

### **TRAFFIC IMPACTS**

SEMA Construction notes there will be minimal effects on daily traffic, but minor delays should be expected at times and commuters should plan extra time when driving through the area (as there is also concrete reconstruction on US 160 through Bodo Industrial Park this summer and next). Operations will be scheduled to minimize impacts during peak rush hours. Lane closures/restrictions on US 160 between Farmington Hill and Grandview may be as follows:

- **Daytime traffic** may be reduced, periodically, to one lane in each direction between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 3:30 P.M.
- **Nighttime traffic** may be reduced, periodically, to one lane in each direction between the hours of 6:30 P.M. and 6:30 A.M.

As construction progresses, complete closures of US 160 at night will be necessary. These closures will only occur between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M. Notification of these full closures will be provided at least 14 days in advance of the closures. Alternate routes will be posted.

The following information will help motorists in traveling through the area this summer:

- Obey construction signing, lane closures and traffic control for the safety of yourself and construction personnel in the work zones.
- Watch/listen for additional information via local media, log onto the US 160 Durango Bodo project site at <http://www.dot.state.co.us/us160durango/>, where information on both projects will be posted; or log on to CDOT's weekly lane closure report at <http://www.dot.state.co.us/TravelInfo/currentcond/> or call 511 for statewide road reports.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

Project Information Line 970-903-3999

CDOT Road Condition and Traveler Information: [www.cotrip.org](http://www.cotrip.org)

Email: SEMA Project Information Manager at [us160@semaconstruction.com](mailto:us160@semaconstruction.com)

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